### CANADA PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

DISTRICT OF MONTREAL No: 500-06-001086-202

### (CLASS ACTION) SUPERIOR COURT

(CIVIL DIVISION)

#### NATHALIE NASSERI,

**Applicant** 

٧.

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, carrying on business under the trade name RBC REWARDS.

Defendant

#### PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO SUBMIT RELEVANT EVIDENCE (Art. 574 C.p.c.)

TO THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE BERNARD TREMBLAY, OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF QUEBEC, TO WHOM THIS FILE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED, SITTING IN PRACTICE, IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, APPLICANT, THROUGH HER ATTORNEY, RESPECTUOUSLY ALLEGESS THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. The applicant wishes to institute a class action on behalf of the following class, of which she is a member:
  - "All persons who were a member of the RBC Rewards program, redeemed RBC Rewards points for the purchase of one or many travel tickets, had their trips cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic and were not refunded the RBC Rewards points redeemed for the purchase of the travel tickets.";

(hereinafter referred to as "the Class")

2. For this purpose, the applicant has filed an application for authorization to institute a class action, as appears from the court record;

- 3. One of the issues to debate at the hearing on the authorization to institute a class action will be whether, in accordance with subsection 575(3) C.c.p., the composition of the class makes it difficult or impracticable to apply the rules for mandates to sue on behalf of others or for consolidation of proceedings;
- 4. However, the details of the composition of the Class is not known to the applicant;
- 5. According to the defendant's annual 2019 report, it has 17 million clients and 7.2 million active digital users, as appears from an excerpt from the said annual report already filed in the court record as exhibit R-6 in support of the application for authorization to institute a class action:
- 6. Many of the above clients and active digital users are Royal Bank credit cardholders and members of the Class. However, the applicant does not have a list of the persons who own a Royal Bank credit card. Nor does she have a list of persons who have purchased travel tickets by redeeming their RBC Rewards points;
- 7. The exact number of the Class members, their country of residence and their province of residence at the time they purchased the travel tickets are not known to the applicant or her attorney. Only the defendant has that information;
- 8. In order to fully assess the applicability of subsections 575 (2) and (3) C.c.p., this honourable Court may need to have in hand the following information:
  - a. The total number of the Class members;
  - b. The number of the Class members who were Canadian residents when they redeemed their RBC Rewards points for the purchase of travel tickets;
  - c. The number of the Class members in subparagraph (b) for each province;
  - d. The number of the Class members who were not Canadian residents when they redeemed their RBC Rewards points for the purchase of travel tickets;
  - e. The number of the Class members in subparagraph (d) for each country of Class member residency at the time of redemption;
- 9. Providing the above information does not prejudice the defendant;
- 10. Such information does not prejudice the members of the class as none of them will be identified:
- 11. The present application is well founded in fact and in law.

WHEREFORE, THE APPLICANT HUMBY PRAYS THIS HONOURABLE COURT THAT BY JUDGEMENT TO INTERVENE HEREIN:

**GRANT** the present preliminary application to submit relevant evidence;

**ORDER** the defendant to provide the following information within a delay of fifteen (15) days:

- a. The total number of the Class members;
- The number of the Class members who were Canadian residents when they redeemed their RBC Rewards points for the purchase of travel tickets;
- c. The number of the Class members in subparagraph (b) for each province;
- d. The number of the Class members who were not Canadian residents when they redeemed their RBC Rewards points for the purchase of travel tickets;
- e. The number of the Class members in subparagraph (d) for each country of Class member residency at the time of redemption;

SUBSIDIARILY **ORDER** an out of court examination of the defendant's representative on the above points within a delay of sixty (60) days from the judgement to intervene herein;

**THE WHOLE** with no costs, except in case of contestation, in which case with costs against the defendant.

Montreal, January 18th, 202

James Reza Nazem

10/10/de la Gauchetiere Street W., Suite 950 Montreal (Ville-Marie), Quebec, H3B 2N2

Tel: (514) 392-0000 Fax: 1 (855) 821-7904

E-mail: jrnazem@actioncollective.com ATTORNEY FOR THE APPLICANT

#### NOTICE OF PRESENTATION

To: Mr. Stéphane Richer, Esq.

**BORDEN LADNER GERBAIS** 

1000 de la Gauchetiere W., Suite 900

Montreal (Ville-Marie), Quebec

H3B 5H4

Fax: (514) 954-1905

TAKE NOTICE that the herewith attached application will be presented for allowance to honourable Justice Bernard Tremblay, of the Superior Court of Quebec, in the District of Montreal, sitting in practice division, at the Montreal Courthouse, on 1 Notre-Dame E., at the time and room to be determined by the court.

DO GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY.

Montreal, January 18th, 2021

James Reza Nazem

1010 de la Gauchetiere Street W., Suite 950 Montreal (Ville-Marie), Quebec, H3B 2N2

Tel : (514) 392-0000 Fax : 1 (855) 821-7904

E-mail: jrnazem@actioncollective.com ATTORNEY FOR THE APPLICANT

# **TRANSMISSION** REPORT

(MON) JAN 18 2021 17:47

User /Account

DEST. NUMBER DESTINATION 5149541905 5149541905

F-CODE

**6**page

RESULT PAGES

> TIME STORED
> TX START DOCUMENT# JAN 18 17:45 JAN 18 17:45 9300000-261

DURATION 1min, 30sec

COM. MODE E S

## NOTIFICATION PAR TÉLÉCOPIEUR NOTIFICATION BY FAX MACHINE (Art. 133 C.P.C.)

EXPÉDITEUR/SENDER:

1010 de la Gauchetlère O., bureau 1315 Place du Canada Avocat, barrister & solicitor James R. Nazem

Montréal (Ville-Marie), Québec, H3B 2N2

**NOTRE TÉLÉPHONE/OUR TELEPHONE:** 

(514) 392-0000

**NOTRE FAX/OUR FAX:** 

1 (855) 821-7904

NOTIFIÉ À NOTIFIED TO:

Mr. Stephane Richer, Esq.

RECEIVING FAX: FAX RÉCEPTEUR/

(514) 954-1905

BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS

#### NOTIFICATION PAR TÉLÉCOPIEUR NOTIFICATION BY FAX MACHINE (Art. 133 C.P.C.)

**EXPÉDITEUR/SENDER:** 

James R. Nazem

Avocat, barrister & solicitor

Place du Canada

1010 de la Gauchetière O., bureau 1315 Montréal (Ville-Marie), Québec, H3B 2N2

NOTRE TÉLÉPHONE/OUR TELEPHONE:

(514) 392-0000

**NOTRE FAX/OUR FAX:** 

1 (855) 821-7904

NOTIFIÉ À/NOTIFIED TO:

Mr. Stéphane Richer, Esq.

**BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS** 

FAX RÉCEPTEUR/ RECEIVING FAX: (514) 954-1905

DATE ET HEURE DE TRANSMISSION/ DATE AND TIME OF TRANSMISSION: January 18, 2021/6:05 p.m.

NATURE DU DOCUMENT/ NATURE OF THIS DOCUMENT: Application for leave to submit relevant

evidence

C.S.Q.: 500-06-001086-202

TOTAL DES PAGES TRANSMISES INCLUANT CE BORDEREAU/
TOTAL PAGES TRANSMITTED INCLUDING THIS COVER PAGE:

<u>(6)</u>

#### **James R Nazem**

From:

James R Nazem [jrnazem@actioncollective.com]

Sent:

January 18, 2021 6:23 PM

To:

'sricher@blg.com'

Cc:

'mrondeau@blg.com'; 'kchenevert@blg.com'; 'Nathalie Nasseri'

Subject:

Nathalie Nasseri v. Banque Royale du Canada (C.S.M.: 500-06-001086-202; BLG/f: 243008-;

O/f: 2008JN3552).

Attachments:

2006JN3742.574Ccp.pdf

NOTIFICATION BY E-MAIL (Articles 109 et ss. C.c.p.)

Nature of the document:

Preliminary application for leave to submit relevant evidence.

Court record N°:

500-06-001086-202

Name of the parties:

Nathalie Nasseri v. Royal Bank of Canada

Number of pages:

5 pages

Our file:

2006JN3742

Sender's e-mail address:

jrnazem@actioncollective.com

DATE:

Montreal, January 18, 202 / 6:22 pm

#### **ADDRESSEE**

Mr. Stephane Richer, Esq., BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS, 1000 de la Gauchetiere Street W., Suite 900, Montreal, Quebec, H3B 5H4.

#### James Reza Nazem

Place du Canada

1010, de la Gauchetière Ouest/West, bureau/Suite 950

Montréal (Ville-Marie), Québec, H3B 2N2

Canada

Tel.: (514) 392-0000

Cel.: (438) 886-5000

Télécopieur sans frais/Toll free fax: 1 (855) 821-7904

Courrier élec./E-mail: jrnazem@actioncollective.com

Skype: JRNazem

Confidentiality Notice: This e-mail message, including any attachments, is directed in confidence to the addressee(s) list and may not otherwise be distributed, copied or used. The contents of this communication may be subject to solicitor-client privilege, and all rights to that privilege are expressly claimed and are not waived. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us by reply e-mail or by telephone and delete this communication, including any attachments, without making a copy. Thank you.

Avis de Privilège: Ce message courriel/mail et tout fichier y rattaché s'adressent uniquement au(x) destinataire(s) indíqué(s) et ne peuvent être autrement distribués, copiés ou utilisés. Le contenu de cette communication peut être assujetti au privilège du secret professionnel. Tout droit à ce privilège est expressément revendiqué et n'est nullement renoncé. Si vous avez reçu cette communication par erreur, veuillez nous en avertir immédiatement en répondant à ce courriel ou en nous appelant. Veuillez également détruire cette communication et tout fichier y rattaché sans en conserver de copie. Merci.

#### James R Nazem

From:

Richer, Stéphane [SRicher@blg.com]

To: Sent: James R Nazem

Sent:

January 18, 2021 6:42 PM

Subject:

Read: Nathalie Nasseri v. Banque Royale du Canada (C.S.M.: 500-06-001086-202; BLG/f:

243008-; O/f: 2008JN3552).

#### Your message

To: Richer, Stéphane

Subject: Nathalie Nasseri v. Banque Royale du Canada (C.S.M.: 500-06-001086-202; BLG/f: 243008-; O/f: 2008JN3552).

Sent: January 18, 2021 6:22:52 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

was read on January 18, 2021 6:42:01 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

#### James R Nazem

From:

Rondeau, Marie [MRondeau@blg.com]

To: Sent: James R Nazem

Sent:

January 18, 2021 7:24 PM

Subject:

Lu : Nathalie Nasseri v. Banque Royale du Canada (C.S.M.: 500-06-001086-202; BLG/f:

243008-; O/f: 2008JN3552).

#### Votre message

À: Rondeau, Marie

Sujet: Nathalie Nasseri v. Banque Royale du Canada (C.S.M.: 500-06-001086-202; BLG/f: 243008- ; O/f: 2008JN3552).

Envoyé: lundi 18 janvier 2021 18:22:52 (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

a été lu le lundi 18 janvier 2021 19:22:54 (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

**No**: 500-06-001086-202 **Court:** Superior

**District** 

of Montreal

NATHALIE NASSERI,

**Applicant** 

**!!** 

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA,

Defendant

PRELIMINARY APPLICATION
FOR LEAVE TO SUBMIT
RELEVANT EVIDENCE

# ORIGINAL

**James Reza Nazem** 

PLACE DU CANADA 1010 de la Gauchetiere Street W., Suite 950 Montreal (Ville-Marie), Quebec, H3B 2N2 Tel: (514) 392-0000

Toll free fax: 1 (855) 821-7904 E-mail: jrnazem@actioncollective.com

Our file: 2006JN3742

AN-1795